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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department reports that detectives are conducting a Homicide investigation. The incident occurred Tuesday, February 16, 2016 in the 1600 block of Warrior Road.

The victim has been identified as: Charles Burchfield, B/M, 27 of Birmingham

On Tuesday, February 16, 2016 around 11:45 a.m., officers from the West Precinct responded to the listed location on a person shot. Upon arrival, officers found the victim lying on the ground next to the apartments. The victim was pronounced deceased at the scene by Birmingham Fire and Rescue. The suspect was taken into custody at the scene.

Our preliminary investigation revealed the incident stemmed from a verbal altercation between the victim and his girlfriend over the victim receiving phone calls from his exgirlfriend. According to a witness, the suspect shot at the victim twice before the victim began throwing bricks at the suspect's vehicle. The suspect began to shoot again and struck the victim once to the body. "A gun should have never been used in this case". This is an ongoing investigation, and information will be released as it becomes available.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ 254-1764 or Crime Stoppers @ 254-7777.